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ABORTION ALLEGED

YOUNG WIFE SENT FOR TRIAL

Described by Mr. Patrick Cussen, for the Director of Public Prosecutions, as a tragic case, a young married woman, whose husband is serving in the Army overseas, appeared at Ramsgate police court on Monday on a charge of abortion.

She was Mrs. Violet Grainger, aged 22, of West Cliff-road, and she was charged with attempting to procure her own miscarriage by the use of an instrument between 1st and 17th June of this year.

Defendant was committed for trial at the Central Criminal Court.

Opening the case, Mr. Cussen said defendant's husband was serving abroad in the forces. According to the evidence this tragic case had arisen because Mrs. Grainger was pregnant and she knew the child was not her husband's child.

It appeared that early in March, when she found she was pregnant, she tried all sorts of means to get rid of the child, following a miscarriage on 7th June Mrs. Grainger appeared for a time to get on all right but on 17th June she was taken seriously ill and was removed to hospital.

Doctor's Suspicion.

Dr. W. J. Dunlop said when Mrs. Grainger was admitted to Ramsgate General Hospital her condition was consistent with her having had a miscarriage a short time previously. He was very suspicious that it had been produced by artificial means.

Mrs. Grace Elizabeth Casey, of West Cliff-road, said that in May Mrs. Grainger rented part of her house for herself and her two children. After she had been there two weeks she told witness that she was expecting a baby by a soldier, and asked if she could help her. Defendant explained that she had already taken certain steps and witness suggested another course which she had been told about by someone else.

Henry Victor Hurcombe, serving in the Army as a gunner, said when he visited the house in West Cliff-road he saw defendant and Mrs. Casey. Certain preparations were being made but neither woman explained what they were for. Defendant had previously told him of her condition and had said that she would get rid of the baby even if it meant killing herself.

Mrs. Sylvia Irene Maud Buddle, of Cottage-row, Sandwich, said she had seen defendant take different medicines and on one occasion saw her perform a certain act.

Midwife Called in.

Mary Louise Stacey, of Strand-street, Sandwich, a state registered nurse and certified midwife, said she had known Mrs. Grainger since she was a child and attended her at the birth of her second baby in September, 1941. On 17th June she was called by Mrs. Buddle to her house and found defendant ill in bed suffering from haemorrhage. Witness said "What has happened, Violet?" and she replied "I have had a miscarriage," adding that it was on Tuesday of the previous week.

Witness fetched Dr. Rose and later went with defendant in the ambulance to Ramsgate General Hospital.

D/I Cory, Kent County Constabulary, said that at 10.15 a.m. on Saturday, 26th June, in company with D/S Fortescue, he went to Ramsgate General Hospital and there saw accused.

In a statement made to witness defendant said she had met a married woman with two children, aged four and two years, and that her husband was in the forces overseas. She admitted taking certain medicines.

Continuing, witness said he again saw defendant on 16th July and told her that Mrs. Casey had denied a statement Mrs. Grainger had made suggesting that she had assisted her in procuring the miscarriage. He added that Mrs. Casey admitted demonstrating the use of a certain article and defendant replied "That is right."

In further statement Mrs. Grainger said that the man responsible for her condition was a gunner in the Royal Artillery and that he was in Ramsgate June last year. When she told him of her condition he promised to do what he could to see her but said he could not do much as he was only getting a shilling a week. He offered to pay £20 to anyone who could help her.

As stated, defendant was committed for trial, bail being allowed in defendant's own surety of £20. A certificate for legal aid was granted.

UNSCREENED LIGHT

A fine of £1 was imposed by Ramsgate magistrates on Monday on Mrs. Rose Lily Thomas, who pleaded guilty to permitting an unscreened light to show at her home, 22 Belle Vue-road, on the night of 30th July.

C/I H. G. Butcher said W/R T. Pettman saw a light shining from a top-floor window of the house at 11.15 p.m. The house was unoccupied as defendant was sleeping in the tunnel. Defendant's sister was aroused and extinguished the light. Defendant later said she did not use the electric light at the house during the summer but the previous afternoon she turned on the light at the main to do some ironing and forgot to turn it off again.

SERVICE ROMANCE

CLIFF'S END W.A.A.F. WEDS SERGEANT

While serving at a Royal Air Force station in the Home Counties, Ldg. Acwn. Marjorie Kathleen Jarvis, W.A.A.F., of Cliff's End, met Sgt. Walter George Frederick Whitaker, engaged in the medical branch of the R.A.F.

Their meeting led to a romance and the couple were married at St. Lawrence Church on Saturday by the Vicar (the Rev. J. H. Roundhill).

The bride, who is 21 years old, is the daughter of Mrs. Chidsey, and her stepfather, Mr. W. Chidsey, farms Cliff's End Farm. An old girl of Minster School, Mrs. Whitaker lived in Ebbsfleet until three years ago when she went to Cliff's End Farm. Eighteen months ago she joined the W.A.A.F., in which she is carrying out general duties.

Sgt. Whitaker is a son of Mrs. E. F. Whitaker, of Bristol, and his brother, Pte. Colin H. D. Whitaker, R.E.M.E., was best man.

Given away by her brother, A/B Douglas S. Jarvis, R.N., the bride wore a dress of white satin with embroidered sleeves, headdress of white feathers and carried a bouquet of pink roses. She was attended by one adult bridesmaid, Acwm. M. Nimick, W.A.A.F., and two little attendants, Joyce V. Chidsey (stepsister) and Eileen Marsh (cousin). Acwm. Nimick wore a pale silk dress in floral quilted pattern, with headdress of mauve net and flowers, and carried pink carnations, while Joyce and Eileen were attired in pink net dresses with silver leaves in their hair. They carried posies of pink roses and scabious.

Appropriate wedding music was played at the organ by Miss J. H. Walters.

Following the service a reception was held at Cave's Cafe, Ramsgate, and when the newlyweds left for their honeymoon in the west country the bride wore a smart check costume, with black hat and half veil and black shoes, and she carried a black handbag.

Attempted Suicide Charge

RAMSGATE WOMAN REMANDED

A charge of attempted suicide was preferred at a special sitting of Ramsgate borough magistrates on Saturday against Lilian Stockley, aged 22, described as a housewife, of Lime Kiln Cottage, Stanley-place, Ramsgate.

The charge was as follows:

"Unlawfully did take a certain quantity of Aspro tablets with intent thereby then feloniously, wilfully and of her malice aforethought to kill and murder herself at Lime Kiln Cottage, Stanley-place, Ramsgate, on Tuesday, 3rd August, 1943."

C/I H. G. Butcher said in view of the nature of the case he desired to ask for a remand until 16th August.

Defendant was remanded in custody until that date.

MARGATE GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Miles, of 77 Victoria-avenue, Margate, received the congratulations of their friends at the Hall-square Methodist Church on Saturday, when they celebrated the golden anniversary of their wedding.

Mrs. Miles, three weeks older than her husband, came from Hartlip, Kent, and had three bridesmaids at her wedding are still living.

Mr. F. A. J. Miles, the only son, is head fire guard at Broadstairs.

FUNERAL OF MR. J. H. IMPETT

The funeral of Mr. John Henry Impett, of Camden-road, Ramsgate, whose death was reported in our columns, took place at Ramsgate cemetery last week, when the committal service was conducted by the Vicar of St. George's (the Rev. George Bennett).

The chief mourners were the widow, Mrs. Ann Impett (son and daughter-in-law), Mrs. Cooper (daughter), Miss Impett (sister), Mr. Collins (brother-in-law), Mr. Ensoage (nephew), and Miss Rose (cousin).

Among the floral tributes were those from Mrs. Impett and family; grandchildren; Edie, Lizzie and Harry; Emily; Ollie and Ethel; Mrs. Daws and family; and Mrs. Mark Bateman; Mr. and Mrs. Brockman and Miss A. Brockman; Mr. and Mrs. Harmer; Mr. and Mrs. Redwood; Mr. and Mrs. Read and family; May, Ted and family; Ian and Bob; Mr. and Mrs. Greengrass; neighbours in Camden-road, Camden-square, Cottage-road and Abbot's-hill; Mr. and Mrs. Banbury; Mrs. Cook and Winnie.

Mr. W. H. Maskell was the undertaker.

Broadstairs Goes Gay

MERCHANT NAVY QUEEN CHOSEN

Broadstairs is going gay this week.

Combining its holiday-at-home scheme with a great effort for the Merchant Navy Comforts Fund, the district is, through the enterprise of the Brighter Broadstairs League, offering its inhabitants a week of fun, provided by varied events on each day.

The merriment started on Saturday, when over 250 people danced to the music of a military band at the Garden-on-the-Sands Pavilion. An N.F.S. band played at another dance held the same evening at St. Andrew's Hall, Reading Street, where Mr. B. Brown was C.I.C. The band of the Dorsetshire Regiment performed at Pierremont Gardens on Sunday, while, in a cricket match at Hildersham House, Broadstairs beat a Royal Navy team by 84 runs to 77.

Large numbers of people attended the drumhead service, which was conducted by the Rector of Broadstairs (the Rev. C. H. Bailey) at St. Peter's recreation ground on Sunday.

Procession to St. Peter's.

A procession which marched through Broadstairs and St. Peter's to the ground included a detachment of the police, a military unit with drum, fife and bugle band, members of the Sea Cadets, the Royal Naval Old Comrades' Association, the men's and women's branches of the British Legion, nurses, members of the W.V.S., and Civil Defence units.

An address given by the priest-in-charge of St. Peter's (the Rev. R. D. d'E. Meredith) was based on the text "Son, Thou art ever with Me." Mr. Meredith asked his listeners to remember those absent on the high seas, bringing vital food to this country, and those who patiently waited at home.

"We all remember God when there are adverse times," he said. "Therefore let us not forget God now that things are going well for us and we rejoice in the victory that is not so far distant."

It was right, for them to enjoy themselves, he continued, for God must have spent many happy hours with the chosen few. So they were going to enjoy themselves in the forms of clean entertainment and do nothing that was a disgrace to the name of a Christian.

Special prayers offered included one for the success of the week written by Mr. Meredith, and followed on the conclusion of the service the procession marched back to Broadstairs.

Nineteen Beautiful Girls.

Broadstairs Picture House was packed to capacity on Monday evening, when the big attraction was the crowning of the Merchant Navy Week Queen.

Nineteen beautiful girls paraded before the audience and from their number the judges, five Army officers, chose 18-year-old Beryl Makeham, of 22 Beaconsfield, St. Peter's, for the honour of reigning over the week.

Beryl, a slim brunette, who wore a black dress, is an old girl of Margate Central School and is employed on the office staff of Messrs. Alfred Dilly Ltd., of Ramsgate.

Two former scholars of Clarendon House School, Ramsgate, were selected as maids of honour. They were Jean Gurr, aged 16, of 7 Percy-road, Broadstairs, and Jean Angus (17½), of Flambro, Cumberland-avenue, Broadstairs, a member of the staff at Ramsgate municipal offices.

A touch of comedy was provided at the beginning of the competition when Mr. F. B. Salt, who ably organised the show, announced the parade of "the most beautiful girls in Broadstairs." Everybody looked expectantly towards the centre aisle of the cinema but instead of a bevy of beauty they saw a solitary figure—that of Mrs. Grundy, complete with umbrella, who charged down to the front to declare that she had been forbidden to take part in the contest. Mr. Salt tactfully humoured the lady but she held the show up until he sent her on her way with a passionate kiss. The unexpected incident had aroused out very well and Miss Norah Nichols was well applauded for her antics.

Seldom Seen.

The parade of the 19 entrants immediately followed and the girls walked on to the stage to face their judges. After they had marched round the cinema Mr. Salt announced that the officers had selected three, who came forward for the final choice.

Loud cheers greeted Beryl Makeham when she was declared the winner and one of the officers placed a golden crown on her head, assisted by Jean Angus, who long ruled over her office. The regal attire was loaned by the Broadstairs Good Tempians.

Mr. Salt, thanking the judges, paid tribute to all the entrants for their pluck in coming forward, and presented Beryl with her prize of £3, together with a certificate stating that she had been elected the Merchant Navy Queen of Broadstairs. Certificates and money prizes were also handed to the maids of honour.

The other entrants in the competition were:

Irene Wylie, 215 Beacon-road, St. Peter's; MacPorie Swann, Wrotham Arms, Broadstairs;

Betty Cayley, 35 Northdown-road, St. Peter's;

Joy Philpott, Jesmond, Cecilia-grove, St. Peter's;

Florence G. Wood, 8 Prospect-place, Broadstairs;

Norah Ellis, 10 St. Luke's-avenue, Ramsgate;

Margaret Gurr, 7 Percy-road, Broadstairs;

Joyce Pantony, 15 Clarendon-road, Broadstairs;

Patricia Makeham, 42 Beacon-road, St. Peter's;

Phyllis Pritchard, 4 Lawrence-terrace, Reading Street;

Winifred Blewitt, 4 Lawrence-terrace, Reading Street;

Jacqueline Frost, The Cottage, Reading Street;

Mrs. Irene Williams, Magdala-road, St. Peter's;

Stella Deverson, Magdala-road, St. Peter's;

Loveday Richford, 67 Norman-road, St. Peter's;

Violet Johnson, 5 Norman-road, St. Peter's.

Events of the Week.

Other events of the week include a concert at the Garden-on-the-Sands Pavilion this afternoon, at which it is hoped that the old favourite, Uncle Mack, will entertain, and a show by a military concert party in the same hall this evening. Tonight there will also be a dance at St. Andrew's Hall, Reading Street, while tomorrow afternoons are a military band concert in Pierremont Gardens in the afternoon and a boxing tournament at the Pavilion in the evening.

A fete at St. Peter's recreation ground on Thursday will include a horticultural show, dog show, donkey rides, a military band concert, and the bestowal of the retreat by the South Wales Borderers. The Broadstairs Players will perform Gordon Harris's "The Phantom Light" at the Pavilion in the evening.

A mammoth whist drive will be held at the Pavilion on Friday and a treasure hunt, cricket match and dance will conclude the events on Saturday.

The Picture House is open free to-night and to-morrow (Wednesday) afternoon there is a special show for children.

WANTON DAMAGE

YOUTH WHO BROKE ELECTRIC LIGHT BULBS

A 17-year-old Ramsgate youth, earning over £3 a week at Chislet Colliery, admitted at Ramsgate police court on Monday that he took a number of electric light bulbs from an air raid shelter and broke them on his boot "to hear them go off bang."

Defendant was William James Arnold, of Coleman-crescent, and he pleaded guilty to committing wilful damage to the extent of 7s. 8d. to four electric light bulbs, the property of the Mayor, aldermen and burgesses, on 22nd July.

C/I H. G. Butcher said that at 7.45 p.m. on 22nd July W/R Side and Special Constable Jones patrolled and found a number of electric light bulbs were missing. He also found a number of glass lamps lying on the ground. When each later, defendant said "I had nothing to do so I walked down the tunnel. As I came out I took three or four bulbs out of their sockets and broke some of them on the wall where they go bang. Others I broke on the roof."

The chief inspector read a letter from the Home Office dated 6th January in which he was asked to bring to the notice of magistrates reports from all over the country of wilful and wanton damage to property and in particular damage to public air raid shelters. It called for a serious view to be taken in the present circumstances.

Defendant, continued the chief inspector, was before Ramsgate juvenile court in July, 1939, for malicious damage to crops. The case was dismissed on payment of 5s. towards the damage.

Arnold said he earned £3 2s. 6d. a week.

The Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry), announcing that defendant would be fined £2 and that he would have to pay 7s. 8d. for the damage, said the magistrates took a serious view of the case. "If the fine was not paid within a fortnight defendant might have to go to prison."

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Council and Education Reconstruction

UNDEMOCRATIC IN THE EXTREME

Margate Town Council to-day will be asked to support a resolution passed by the Education Committee viewing with "gravest concern, and profound regret" the intention of the Government to abolish large numbers of Part III education authorities.

The report of Council in committee states that a letter was received from the secretary of the Association of Municipal Corporations with reference to the proposals of the Government contained in the White Paper recently issued regarding the reform of education.

The letter, states the report, was considered together with a report of the Education Committee and it was resolved that the following resolutions passed by the Education Committee should be confirmed and adopted:

1. To place on record—

(a) That this committee are of the opinion that this purely educational proposals set out in the White Paper "Educational Reconstruction" represent generally a sound and progressive policy towards the provision of adequate educational facilities for the benefit of the child, the adolescent and the adult and, as such, are to be commended;

(b) That this committee view with the gravest concern and profound regret the intention of the Government to abolish large numbers of Part III education authorities without an impartial enquiry into the question of what constitutes an effective unit of educational administration being carried out in advance;

(c) That this committee are of the opinion that the preservation and stimulation of local interest in education in particular, which the Government have stated to be their intention, is not likely to be achieved by the problematical establishment of district committees without autonomous powers and whose functions seem likely to be limited to making recommendations to county education committees;

(d) That this committee view with misgiving the present policy of the Government to strip local authorities of their powers in this case, and declare that they believe this policy to be undemocratic in the extreme and one which if regarded as a step so far as local government is concerned.

2. That the Margate education authority associates itself with any recognised body whose object is to secure a reconsideration of the proposals set out in Part XI of the White Paper.

3. That the Margate Borough Council be asked to endorse the above resolutions and that copies be sent to the following: the Board of Education, the Member of Parliament for the division; the Association of Education Committees; the Federation of Part III Education Committees; the Association of Municipal Corporations; the Non-County Boroughs Association.

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Terrible injuries were sustained by eight-year-old Cyril George Follington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Follington, of 116 High-street, Garlinge, when an object with which he was playing in the back yard of his home on Saturday exploded.

With a friend, John Charles Russell, aged nine, Cyril had visited Hengrove golf course and there picked up an object, believed to have been a grenade.

The boys were playing with it in the back yard and Cyril tried to pull the pin out with a pair of pliers. There was an explosion and he sustained severe injuries to the face and front part of the body and his right hand and part of his forearm were blown off.

The other boy ran away at the moment of the explosion and escaped injury.

Hearing the explosion, Mrs. Follington ran to the back of the house and found her son lying in the yard bleeding profusely. He was removed to Margate General Hospital.

SOLDIER AND GIRL

Serious Charge at Margate

An alleged incident at Dane Park on Saturday afternoon led to the appearance at Margate police court on Monday of Bdr. Patrick Madden, aged 25, who was charged with indecently assaulting a girl aged 13.

P/S Sutherland said he saw defendant lying on the grass in Dane Park with a young girl by his side. He had his arms round the girl, who resisted certain advances he made.

When witness spoke to defendant he said "You don't think I would do anything to her, do you?" When charged he said "All I wish to say is that as I was walking through the park I met the girl and spoke to her. I sat down beside her and was talking to her. I don't remember any more until you came and called me."

Defendant was remanded until 18th August, bail being allowed.

ON THE ROAD

WAYFARER'S VISIT TO MARGATE

A bearded man who told the magistrates he was "on the road" and came from Sittingbourne to Margate by train "just to see the place" was remanded in custody for a week by the Margate bench on Wednesday.

Defendant, Cecil William Troke, of no fixed abode, was charged with entering the borough as a casual wayfarer, contrary to the direction of the Regional Commissioner.

W/R Chapman said that the previous day he saw defendant sitting on a public seat on Marine-terrace and asked how he came into the town. At first he said he walked and then that he came by train. Asked to produce his identity card, he said he did not possess one and had not a ration book.

Defendant told the magistrates that he was out of work but was last employed as a clerk. He had been trying for months to obtain a new identity card.

The bench granted C/I Fleet's application for a week's remand in order that further inquiries could be made.

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BRITAIN'S RESPONSIBILITY TO THE WORLD

By BRENDAN BERNARD WILLIAMS

The British Parliament has been called the Mother of Parliaments. All other Parliaments have been inspired by the British example and have taken it as a model or master-piece. Britain was the first of the modern nations to create a representative legislative body that curbed the power of privileged classes and thereby secured political freedom for all classes. Other nations followed the lead we gave. Some of them succeeded; some failed. The nations that succeeded created systems that were suited to their own con-ditions; those that failed experimented with systems ill-adapted to themselves. The successes have confirmed that the British way is the right way; the fail-ures have not disproved it.

As originators of representative gov-ernment, we have a responsibility to-wards the world. We showed the other nations that representative government was the best form of government, given the necessary controls over its poten-tialities for abuse of the power vested. With the collapse of de-mocracy before dictatorship in many lands, we must prove to the world that representative government still is the best method of managing the affairs of a nation. We accept our respon-sibility in September, 1939, by declar-ing war on unprovoked aggression, and now we confront our acceptance after the fall of France by remaining in the war alone, along with our Dominions. Are we prepared to accept the further responsibility of upholding our own example of how a people may govern itself?

If representative government were to be abandoned by Britain—its originator —what faith would the other nations retain in it? Representative govern-ment entails the maintenance of control over the governing body. Without con-trol, it becomes meaningless, because it is no longer representative. The abandonment of control is the abandon-ment of representative government it-self and an open invitation to the dictatorship of a clique or of a combi-nation of cliques.

Representative government is some-times criticised as marking crosses on pieces of pasteboard, dropping the tickets confidentially into a box, going home and then forgetting all about it until the next election. Dictators, as well as free Parliaments, might be open to the like. The essential is that the elected representatives should preserve the people's freedom, that is to say, experience has proved to be the best, and that the people should make certain that they do.

Departmental Irresponsibility.

Parliament's control over the admin-istration has been neglected. To say that is to say nothing new; it is about fourteen years ago that the Chief Justice of England described depart-mental irresponsibility from Parlia-mentary control as "the new despot-ism." That depotism hasn't dimin-ished. It has increased. It increased before the war; and certainly it has increased further during the war. But the war did not initiate it; it only magnified it. The danger remains for it to be a temporary distortion of our national ideals, but all-too-many poli-ticians are using the opportunity, determined to continue it indefinitely and have become so certain of their chances that they look for continuation of departmental control for granted.

Will it increase further still when the war is over? Will it decrease? If it is the answer is Yes, then Britain will have abandoned the system of govern-ment that has won the respect and admiration of the world. What will the peoples of occupied Europe think, who have only too well what is the alternative to democracy? What will be the thoughts of the peoples of Russia, whose constitution has been based, in form at least, largely on our system of political representation?

Post-war Plans.

The war has not been won yet. But plans for our post-war life are being drawn; and the world is watching Britain to see how she will adapt her governmental system to the problems that await her after victory. These problems will be hard; they have to be solved only by the application of those principles that have brought us thus far along the road to progress from domination by autocratic sovereign or feudal lord; they will not be solved by rendering the lessons of the past and handing ourselves over to the domin-ation of officials.

All manner of solutions to those problems are being canvassed. The prophets drown each other's voices with their promises of Utopia in innumerable variety. Most of the solutions and new orders are based on a departure from Parliamentarianism and over the government departments. These are a poor advertisment for the system that has made the British Parliament a model for the world and has set it now as a guiding light in the prevailing darkness of dictatorship. They are a poor contribution to the possibility of a communion of free nations after the war. But they are a heady stimulus for post-war dictator-ship, which is the only possible modern alternative to democratic government.

The plans may be beautifully drawn. But if they are, do not sacrifice it to any plan containing such innate faults that it can be put into effect only by dicta-torial methods. It wouldn't be British democracy only that would die, as it isn't British democracy only that is imperilled by the prevalent vogue for uncontrolled control of our destinies. The war has shown us what dictator-ship can mean.

"What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" What shall it profit a people if it gains greater comforts and loses the independence without which those comforts are mere dust and ashes? And we haven't any guarantee that the comforts will be forthcoming or that in trying to acquire them by such dubious means we may not in the end lose what we have already.

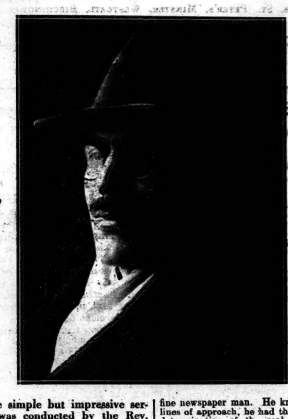
MARGATE

Licence Transfers.—The Margate magis-trates on Wednesday confirmed the trans-fer of the license of the London Tavern from Mrs. Florence Twyman to Mr. Cecil Victor Mogg, the Bellevue Hotel from Mr. Thomas Storey to Mr. Christopher Charles Rew, and the Cliftonville Court Hotel from Mr. Stanley F. Gore to Mr. Harold E. Blaiberg.

LAST TRIBUTES

FUNERAL OF MR. H. C. FLOWERDEW

The funeral took place by cremation at Charing on Friday of Mr. Herbert Charles Flowerdew, proprietor and editor of the ADVERTISER & ECHO, whose death, at the age of 52 years, was announced in our last issue.



The simple but impressive service was conducted by the Rev. R. D. d'E. Meredith, priest-in-charge of St. Peter's, chaplain of the Bradstow Lodge of Free-masons, of which Mr. Flowerdew was secretary and a Past Master.

Attending the service were the widow, Mrs. Suzanne Flowerdew, Sgt. Air-Gnr. Adrian Flowerdew, R.A.F. (son), Lady Campbell, Mr. Donald Spendlove, Mr. Leslie Rengert (re-presenting the staff of the ADVER-TISER & ECHO), Mr. Francis James Bryan, P.A.G.D.C., Provincial Grand Secretary, and Mr. N. A. Thorncroft, Past Master of the Bradstow Lodge of Freemasons, Capt. F. Spencer (re-presenting Mr. John Olby) and Mrs. Spencer, and Mr. and Mrs. John Blinko.

H.G.F. by F.G.H.

Mr. Fred G. Hewitt, a former member of the ADVERTISER & ECHO staff, writes from Portsmouth:

I would like to be permitted to pay my tribute to your departed chief and to offer deep sympathy in the loss suffered by his staff.

I had enjoyed Charles Flowerdew's friendship for nearly 35 years. I knew him as a lad entering upon the first stages of his chosen profession. I saw him progress. I played with him on the sporting fields of Thanet, in the old days when Hector Porter and George Everest were stalwarts in the Ramsgate cricket eleven. I was at the ADVERTISER when, with the late Lewis Shandel, he acquired the business, and I did all I could to be help-ful who were finally left in the main-tenance of the undertaking when he went to sea in the R.N.V.R.

My experience of him as principal and colleague served only to intensify my recognition of his capacity as a newspaper man and his qualities as a friend. The association was broken by the circumstances of my removal elsewhere, but the friendship never faltered. He was one of those on whom I always called when I was back in Ramsgate (as in years prior to this war I very frequently was), and my reception was ever of that cordiality which had its foundations in long knowledge and regard.

Never Spared Himself.

The paper was his abiding pre-occupation. It is, I think, highly notable that the energy he lavished upon it had no small influence upon his health. Mr. Flowerdew never spared himself in relation to anything in which he had a hand: and he was of that highly-sensitive, ultra-conscienti-ous character upon whom worry sits rather heavily. In the interests of his journal—or in those of any other movement which had invoked his aid —he was prepared to devote to work himself to the absolute end. And, unfortunately for himself, he did this all too regularly.

He was, judged by any standard, a fine newspaper man. He knew all the lines of approach, he had the intensive determination of the true journalist, and when on a story he moved very fast indeed. Personally he was a delightful companion and a man of the highest integrity.

Mr. Flowerdew has left his mark on Ramsgate and the neighbourhood, for he had championed many good causes. But it will we in the hearts of his friends that his lasting memorial is built. We who called him friend will be very conscious of a heavy gap; but because of his generosity and his in-trinsic worth, we shall keep green in our memories a man whom it was a great privilege to know.

Firm Sense of Proportion.

The following tribute comes from "Wm.H.":

In losing Herbert C. Flowerdew, one loses a friend who, behind a quiet demeanour, had many strong convic-tions and a fine sense of proportion and justice. He was much struck by this on many occasions when I had to see him on business, or rarely on other matters.

Several items of kindly thoughtful-ness on his part stand out prominently in my memories. No Norisdife here, but rather a C. P. Scott. I have often been amused at his wit, which was subtle but never bitter. A gentle spirit, finely attuned to the higher notes, and instinct with the ideal of a noble humanism, passes with the death of H.C.F., and I count myself poorer because he has gone.

HOSPITAL'S THANKS

The Ramsgate General Hospital acknowledges with warmest thanks the following donations in memory of the late Mr. H. C. Flowerdew:

Dr. and Mrs. Parnell, 10s.; H. G. Curtis, £1 1s.; Miss Rose Edwards, 10s. 6d.; Miss Mary Edwards, 10s. 6d.; Mrs. W. G. Hicks, 10s.; Kingsgate Lodge of Freemasons, by the circumstances of my removal elsewhere, but the friendship never faltered. He was one of those on whom I always called when I was back in Ramsgate (as in years prior to this war I very frequently was), and my reception was ever of that cordiality which had its foundations in long knowledge and regard.

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Cub Badges gained: 7th Ramsgate Pack. Homeraft: William Perry, James Young and Lawrence Challis.

On Thursday Ramsgate Scouts have the chance of competing in the Mar-gate Association Scouts and Guides Sports at Woodford House, Birching-ton, thanks to the kind invitation of Mr. A. Hayes, the District Commis-signer. A march past with Colours and a camp fire concludes the event.

During the period of Monday, 30th August, to Saturday 21st August, the 4th Ramsgate will be camping in a small group at a farm, and will assist with the harvesting.

Some other Ramsgate Scouts were out camping during a week-end in August, while going on violent storm came on. Unfortunately next morning was Sunday and Church Parade. Rather crumpled gear from sleeping away from the edges of the tent and somewhat bunched up did not add to appearances. A small military post fairly close asked the Scouts how they fared in the night, and they replied, in the short intervening space between breakfast and church shirts were aired and ironed, as if by magic and the "situation restored."

Ramsgate Scouts on Service meet under unusual conditions. When Harold Scarman, a sergeant in the R.A.F., came home on leave recently he told me how he was getting out of a Sunderland Flying Boat of which he was the Sparks, into a harbour launch at the end of a very long patrol. His tired feeling soon went when he re-cognised the one in charge of the launch; an old P.L. of the 5th Ram-gate, and contemporary to his own membership of the 1st St. Lawrence. I am very sorry indeed I have forgotten his name owing to having seen so many old Scouts lately, but I think it was Watkins.

C.F.W.

BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION

Since the last scout column, the passing of Mr. H. C. Flowerdew has severed a long personal friendship of an Editor who always upheld the finest traditions of journalism, and ourselves in scouting.

Perhaps one took for granted his wide knowledge of the more outer side of public life and local events, but his deeper interest in the conditions that affected local welfare would have surprised many.

He knew much about the inside of scouting and said that a good liason between Press and Scouting was es-sential to both. Now that our friend does its hardest work out of the public eye, and a newspaper that takes little or no interest in scouting in its midst is as bad as a neglectful family.

Many years ago when the Boy Scouts first appeared on the scene, and during this Scout Column, journalism, like every other craft proved to have very unsuspecting pitfalls. A weekly article of one column demanded quite a prodigious mental effort in search of readers outside Scouting. It was then that the sterling qualities of H. C. F. revealed themselves. He was a man with which I shall be ever grateful. His kindly practical advice was ever avail-able from his full experience, often in the thronging, ever moving High-street. His opinion always was to be respected, and his shrewd thoughts often ex-pressed in a quiet sparkle of humour, usually were pretty close to the mark.

The Scouts in common with many others have lost a good friend in him, and our thoughts are with his family

In Memory of H. C. Flowerdew.

Like a fair dream you pass away
And leave the morning sad,
Yet seemed impossible to stay
Though you made time glad.
I know the little of the man
Beyond his written word,
But through it kind-eyed laughter ran,
And wit was often heard.
Each time you mentioned Walter K.,
Like hungry fish I rose,
Swallowed the bait and wrote away
The thought behind my nose.
Sometimes you were a down cast mien,
Snapshots my memory holds;
You spoke most kindly of my rhymes.
This last one you enfolds.

WALTER K. LEWIS.

PERFECTLY DISGRACEFUL

ABSENTEE MINERS INDICTED

A coathing indictment of miners who absent themselves from work was made at Wingham petty sessions at Canterbury on Thursday by the Chairman, Lord Harris, when he was dealing with fines of them £9 with 12s. 6d. costs each for being absent, each on three specific dates, without reasonable cause from their work.

"We have had," said Lord Haw-arden, "a lot of such cases in this court, but I really think that seeing you able-bodied men here for shirking your work in the saddest thing of all. It is perfectly disgraceful. When we think of what is going on in other trades and professions with every-body working as hard as they can and of you people who don't work, it is really terrible. The South Wales miners have given a guarantee to produce all the coal that is required of them and that should be a lead to you. I don't suppose you are ashamed of yourselves but you ought to be."

One of the defendants was Reginald Thorpe, of 3 Chandos-terrace, Bound-ary-road, Ramsgate, who was absent on March 26th, 4th and 11th but had been admitted the last two dates, but dis-puted the first on the ground that Snowdown Colliery was closed on that date as it was Easter Tuesday.

Evidence was called, however, to prove that the colliery was open.

Defendant said that, as he had then no alarm clock, he overslept at times, while on other occasions he had been left behind by the bus, which passed him without stopping.

SERVICE BOXING

THE WELSH RIGHT HOOK

One of the best inter-services box-ing tournaments staged at Ramsgate was attracted a large house to the West Cliff Theatre on Wed-nesday.

It was a Merchant Navy Week event and the organiser, Mr. W. Shanahan, well deserved the tribute paid to him by the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe).

As they left the ring the boxers received silver prizes from the Merch-ant Navy Queen.

A silver cup, given by Mr. Sonnie Hale for presentation to the best individual performer, was awarded to Cpl. Howell, of the South Wales Bor-derers.

The Welsh right-hook was well in evidence throughout the evening and the spectators were kept busy in the hall with patches on their left cheeks.

Howell's opponent was Gnr. Law, Royal Artillery. The first round opened at a good pace and although Howell scored most points, Law landed with some well-directed punches. In the second round Howell put over some right hooks against which Law was powerless and the men boxed well in the third round, both victor and vanquished receiving a good round.

Sgt. Oram, R.A., and L/Cpl. Begbie, R.E.M.E., almost fought each other to a standstill. Minster Gunner's verdict by a narrow margin of points. Receiving a cut on the nose in the first few rounds, Begbie appeared to be in trouble but he came out in the second round at a terrific pace. This time it was Oram who was in a whirl-storm. In the final round neither man had sufficient strength to land a decisive blow, both opportunities were presented by both.

Four Times Down.

Although we did not see much of him, Gnr. Macias, R.A., one boxers appeared to be Sgt. Pugh, South Wales Borderers, who knocked out Gnr. Macias, Royal Artillery, in the first round. With good, square punches Pugh put his opponent down four times before the final count.

Ramsgate interest mainly centred in the fight between Ldg. Fmn. "Winkie" Taylor, N.F.S., and Cpl. Under-wood, South Wales Borderers. This was a good sporting bout but two solid local youths on the side and lasting better, gained the verdict on points. Taylor's ringcraft got him out of many awkward situations and he took full advantage of all his op-portunities.

Other results were:

Cpl. Llewellyn, Welch Regiment, beat Sgt. Flynn, South Wales Bor-derers, on points;

Cpl. Payne, R.E.M.E., beat Cpl. Court, R.A.F. Regiment, on points;

Gnr. Smith, R.A., beat Gnr. Clives, R.A., in the first round;

Sgt. Beswick, Royal Corps of Signals, beat Mne. Marwick, Royal Marines, on points;

Ldg. Acrn. Riley, R.A.F., knocked out Gnr. Lowe, R.A., in the first round.

Bdr. Colline, R.A., knocked out Bdr. Dickie, R.A., in the first round.

Pte. Quarry, South Wales Borderers, beat Pte. Rees, Welch Regiment, on points.

Gnr. Macias, R.A., knocked out L/Bdr. Sutton, R.A., in the second round.

Pte. McCarthy, South Wales Bor-derers, knocked out Gnr. Burton, R.A., in the first round.

Sgt. Palmer, South Wales Bor-derers, knocked out Pte. Evans, Welch Regiment, in the first round.

L/Cpl. King, Welch Regiment, beat Pte. Davis, South Wales Bor-derers, on points.

The officials were: referee, Mr. Percy Bevan; judges, Capt. Shaw, R.A., and Ldg. Steward, R.N.V.R.; M.C., P/C W. Shanahan; timekeeper, P/O Gray, R.N.; medical officers, Drs. F. P. Rogers, W. B. Loveless and B. H. Palmer.

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RAMSGATE

Estimates for Removal or Storage.—Hardings, 4 Staffordshire-street, Turner-street, Ramsgate.

Will.—The late Mr. Henry Wood, of Montefiore-avenue, Ramsgate, former head of the firm of H. Wood and Co., of King-street, Ramsgate, left £24,896.

Whist Drives every Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Gymnasium, Clarendon House, Ramsgate, in aid of Red Cross Fund and Mayor's Service, Comforts Fund alter-nately. Admission 1s. Good prizes.

Hospital Flag Day.—The help of collec-tors will be welcomed in connection with the flag day being held in Ramsgate on Saturday 14th aid of Ramsgate General Hospital. Collecting boxes will be ob-tainable at Clarendon House on Friday.

You cannot do better than take any-thing you have to sell to an old-estab-lished firm. Prosser and Newbery buy old gold, jewellery, silver plate, glass, cutlery, etc. Licenced valuers. 67 and 68 Queen-street, Ramsgate.

West Cliff Dances.—The magistrates at Ramsgate police court on Monday granted the application of Mr. E. J. Costerton for an extension of the music and danc-ing license at the West Cliff Theatre until 1.30 a.m. for public balls on 30th August and 9th September. In respect of each occasion Mr. W. G. Love was granted an occasional license to sell in-toxicating liquor from 7.30 until 11 p.m.

Whist Drive held every evening at Ramsgate Working Men's Club, Chat-hamplace, at 7 p.m., in aid of the Red Cross Fund. Admission 1s. Good prizes. Whist drives have already contributed over £20 to this fund. A jumble sale will be held shortly in aid of the fund, and gifts of old clothing will be greatly ap-preciated. Everyone is asked to help this good cause with a gift of clothing please send a postcard to the Ramsgate Working Men's Club, Chatham-street, when a representative will be pleased to call.

MINSTER.

Minster Delegate.—Councillor the Rev. Father D. A. Conroy has been appointed Minster's delegate to the Kent County Advisory Service Committee for Parish Councils.

A.T.C. Welfare.—Over 100 people at-tended a dance held at Minster Parish Hall in aid of the Minster Air Training Corps Welfare Fund. The dance brought in £35 13s. 6d.

Dangerous Pavement.—Minster Council are asking Eastry Rural District Council to repair the dangerous pavement in the tween Monkton-road and Foxborough-lane, where the declining kerb has caused many people to fall.

Another Bank Day.—The bank at Min-ster is to be open on Tues-days and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 11.45 a.m. Replying to a letter from Councillor Lowell, the bank manager stated that owing to shortage of staff it would be impossible for the bank to open on Friday or Saturday.

Hospital Whist.—A whist drive in aid of the East Kent and Canterbury Hospitals was held at Minster Parish Hall on Wednes-day. The proceeds of the drive amounted to £1 2s. 6d. Major Howard was M.C. and the winners were Mrs. Woodcock, Mrs. Downing, Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins, Mr. Read, Mr. Biles and Mr. Atkins.

Water Dyining.—Mrs. Powell-Cotton, of Birchington, gave a talk and demonstra-tion of water dirying at a meeting of the Monkton and Minster Women's Insti-tute, held at Monkton Court on Tuesday. Miss Wellard presided. The members were afterwards shown their own powers of water dirying. Refreshments were pro-vided by Mrs. Holmes and Mrs. Dann, and the winners of a strawberry jam competition were Mrs. Gore and Mrs. Miller.

Council and Cemetery.—The condition of the cemetery was discussed at Tues-day's meeting of Minster Council, when it was decided to ask the chairman of the cemetery committee (Councillor the Rev. A. W. MacMichael said he thought the trees around the cross should be re-arranged, as they were becoming unsightly and had been planted without any thought of what would happen when they were fully grown. "Minster Council is the only parish council in the dis-trict which has control of the parish cemetery and I think steps should be taken to make Minster proud of it," de-clared Councillor the Rev. Father T. A. Kenny.

MRS. M. J. McDONALD

DEATH OF WAR LIBRARIES SECRETARY

Sympathy is extended to Mr. Edward A. Mackey, J.P., of 2 West Cliff-road, West Cliff-road, Ramsgate, in the loss he has sustained by the death of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Mary Juliette Mc-Donald.

Mrs. McDonald was suddenly taken ill and was admitted to Ramsgate General Hospital, where she passed away a few days later.

Born at Kilcrohane, Eire, 51 years ago, Mrs. McDonald came to England in 1916 and was married in 1921. Her husband died a member of the N.F.S. at Ramsgate.

By her death the local branch of the Forces' Naval War Libraries has lost a valuable and energetic worker. Since the outbreak of war Mrs. Mc-Donald was the secretary of the branch and through her efforts thous-ands of books have been collected for personal, for only son, John, is men in the Royal Navy. Her interest in the work was the greater since he is serving in West Africa as a signaller in the Navy.

Mrs. McDonald was keenly interested in local affairs and during the Coventry Week in 1939 she undertook the work of billeting officer. She was also actively connected with the Ramsgate and St. Lawrence Conservative Association.

The interment took place at St. Augustine's Abbey, Ramsgate, on Monday morning when Father Rohde, Catholic rites were observed, the ser-vice being conducted by the Rev. Father Rohde himself.

The mourners were the widower, Mrs. Glover (sister) and Mrs. Murphy (sister-in-law).

Floral tributes were received from: the widower; Mrs. Glover; Thanet-road Mr. and Mrs. Rowe; Mr. and Mrs. Hacker; Miss Dubarry; Miss Hacker; Mr. and Mrs. Cook and Paul; Mrs. Ward;

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So, whether it is a modest little basketful or a good load, please sell your surplus fruit to your Centre. It's all needed—badly—and you will have the satisfaction of doing a very good job to increase the Nation's food supplies

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(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

THE WAR OF 1914-18

Although some knowledge of the fact has been general for some time it has only now been authoritatively announced that the British have a wonderful system at work for conveying war material in railway trucks straight from the munition works in England almost to the firing line in France and Flanders. Large ferry boats are running regularly from home ports to France and there discharging a complete railway of rows drafts of men loaded with materials wanted by the fighting men. The trucks come from various parts of the country and when they reach the quayside they are run on to the ferry boats which at once start for the other side of the channel. There is no difficulty in getting the boats to the French ports. The whole is, of course, under Government control and supervision.

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R/Q/M/S C. J. Mullett and ex-Pte. Butler, two members of the Thanet Advertiser staff, were amongst those who spent the bank holiday period in Ramsgate. The former is with the Buffs and is engaged in connection with the sending of new drafts of men to the front. Ex-Pte. Butler is working under the Ministry of Pensions at Maidstone. Pte. H. Mullett, brother of "C.J.M." is now serving with a Canadian infantry battalion.

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An explosion occurred in the early hours of Tuesday morning at a small factory in Kent. One building was completely blown away and two men who had gone on duty just before the explosion were killed. In a town three miles away plate glass windows and several shop fronts were wrecked and much glass was smashed in neighbouring villages.

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The prospects of the Chislet Colliery are stated to be completely assured and the latest reports state that the heavy seams discovered are of good domestic coal, the best yet found in Kent. A second shaft is being sunk. Market quotations of shares in the colliery have advanced to 31s., going up 6s. within the past month.

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When Ramsgate Council met on Thursday the Mayor mentioned that he had sent a letter to a national paper thanking them for their reports of articles suggesting that visitors should come to Thanet during the holiday period. He believed the articles had been of considerable assistance and there certainly were more visitors in Ramsgate in the past few days than there had been for a long time past.

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The Rev. Nicholson and the Rev. A. W. Mason are both leaving the Ramsgate Methodist circuit. The former is succeeded by the Rev. William Haworth, of Devonport, and the latter by the Rev. J. O. Urmson.

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(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

ST. PETER'S FLOWER SHOW

The 36th annual exhibition of the Isle of Thanet Floral and Horticultural Association and the Cottagers' Gardening Society was held on Wednesday in the grounds of Hopeville, St. Peter's. The exhibits were numerous and, notwithstanding the long drought, compared favourably in every respect with those of former years. Mr. S. Setterfield, Ramsgate, was a large winner of prizes and his productions were certainly among the finest in the show. Among the exhibits for competition was a choice display of plants and flowers shown by G. Broomer, gardener to Mr. R. Clarke, Westwood House, and Mr. T. S. Lawrence. During the afternoon the band of the Royal Blacks Militia discoursed lively music and other amusements were provided.

MILK FOR BAIRNS— NOT UMBRELLA HANDLES

Milk is still our first priority farm product. We must maintain supplies, not for the duration of the war only but for years after. Lord Woolton has recently told the N.F.U. Council that "when the war is over the people will keep on drinking all the milk your dairy industry is likely to produce. There won't be much for umbrella handles."

The emphasis is still upon winter milk. The "Victory Churn Contest," designed to stimulate the turn-over in winter production, has played its part in the great nation-wide drive to that end. Pembroke, Cornwall, Yorkshire, Lincolnshire, Isle of Wight and Huntingdon—as leaders of the leagues into which the country was divided for the contest, with Pembroke champion county—can rightly preen themselves upon their increased production. In fact, only eight of the English counties failed to increase their milk output in 1942/43.

The basis for being on winter milk, a target has been set each county for the winter period, 1st October to 31st March next. Only special effort by every individual producer can the target figures be attained. Farmers who have not yet taken steps to turn round to a winter basis should do all they can, even at this late stage, to adjust their methods.

The "Victory Churn Contest" is being continued in 1943/44, but on a different basis. Instead of covering the whole year, it will relate only to the winter period and to the targets. The league leaders and winners of the "Victory Churns" will be those whose milk sales for this period show the greatest percentage increase over the target. Certificates of merit will be awarded to individual farms, as before, but for different achievements. One type of certificate will go to the farmer showing an increase on last year's winter sales of 12 per cent. or over, while the second will go to each showing average milk sales for the herd of two gallons (or more) per cow per day throughout the winter period.

CONTENTED EMPLOYEES

In view of the depleted condition of the manual staff and the apparently contented nature of the employees now in their service, Broadstairs Council have decided to inform the Area Officer of the National Union of Public Employees that they see no reason for the establishment of a Whitley Works Committee, as recommended by the Southern Home Counties Joint Industrial Council for Local Authorities (Manual Workers).

THIS WEEK'S SHORT STORY

BONDS OF AFFECTION

By *W. Robert Foran*

John Desmond settled in Southern Rhodesia when he retired from the Indian Civil Service. The homestead of his small farm, in an isolated area of the Marandellas district, stood on the summit of a pleasantly situated kopje which dominated a wide stretch of rolling veld flanked by other rugged granite kopjes.

He had never been able to cure himself of the Indian habit of a siesta after lunch.

Now he was suddenly awakened by the sound of chairs being pushed about violently and of some falling with a loud crash on the cement floor of the dining-room. The noise was accompanied by the dull shuffle of bare feet, heavy breathing and suppressed guttural exclamations; while some of the muffled language did not sound too polite.

It seemed to Desmond that a game of musical chairs, sans the music, was in progress within the adjoining room.

"What's all that confounded noise?" he demanded, angrily and insistently.

Even as he spoke, the answer to his indignant query came flying under the door-curtain; a wizened, scraggy, miserable but typical black Mashona hen. Then the curtain was drawn aside to disclose the apologetic face of Abdul Rahmin, the faithful servant for thirty years who had followed Desmond to Rhodesia from India.

"Have you suddenly taken leave of your senses, Abdul, that you should play hide-and-seek with a Mashona fowl during the noontide rest?" Desmond inquired acidly, striving to repress a grin of amusement at Abdul's woeful expression.

"Nay," Abdul panted, trying to regain the dignity habitual to him. "This devil of a bird, Sahib, is the incarnation of all wickedness. It was my intention to slay it for your dinner, but the bird escaped from my hands as I bore it to the kitchen and left only a few feathers with me."

Meanwhile the fowl had taken up its stance near the foot of Desmond's chair. It was preening its feathers with a blissful unconcern.

"Take it away and complete the business in hand," Desmond commanded sternly.

Abdul Rahmin, with an astonishing display of agility, made a headlong dive to recapture the intended victim for the stewpot. But, though in pitiable ill-condition, the Mashona hen was a wary bird and proved elusive. Patently, it was in no mind to be recaptured.

Realising that sanctuary was not to be accorded within the house, the hen took to the open and ran with all speed into the carefully-tended garden. Here the terrain was all in the bird's favour. Abdul Rahmin, his wind recovered and being reinforced by three grinning Mashona youths, immediately started in hot pursuit.

John Desmond watched the hunt for a time. With a sense of keen and mounting amusement, he appreciated that the pursuers were no match for the bird. Neither Abdul nor the Mashona boys possessed the nimbleness to fly lightly over granite boulders impeding progress, such as this dear fowl had and certainly not gracefully.

The hen might have had a hare at some stage in its pedigree, judging by the manner in which it dodged and baffled the pursuit. Near the stables at the far end of the garden, the fowl made a sharp turn and sought. A handful of feathers in the fist of one of the African natives nearly testified to the extreme narrowness of the margin of escape.

The fleet-footed bird raced back to the homestead from the stables, and whirled once more into Desmond's study. It bounced, a ruffled feathered bundle. Yet a certain perky defiance still glinted in the beady eyes, as it stood by the far wall, breathing with labouring gasps.

Its neck, being now naked owing to Abdul's ill-usage, the bird in a curious vulture-like appearance; it was gaunt and rakish; and, except for a ragged tuft, was entirely innocent of tail-feathers. In short, what the classic crock Rosinante was to the breed of horses, this Mashona hen was to all poultry birds. It was a thing of derision and scorn when alive, and an insult to the dignity of the cock bird with which it was destined to be served, after death.

John Desmond contemplated this wretched object, judicially and humanely. The hen caught his eye and baffled it with fixity. It was a sense of security and contentment; a moment later it was preening itself as if quite at home in the present surroundings.

Desmond felt unable to pass sentence of death, yet there was his dinner to be considered. Indeed, the bird was his dinner! As he weighed the scales of justice, Abdul Rahmin appeared in the doorway. He was a very bronze breathless, utterly distracted and humbly apologetic and he exclaimed, with an angry gleam in his eye: "I'll wring the neck of this devil-bird, forthwith, Sahib."

"No doubt it is better dead, Abdul," agreed Desmond in his best judicial manner. "Yet the hen has earned protection in this sanctuary, so I am loath to order it slain." Abdul Rahmin was about to order some profane against this humane edict, when Desmond forestalled him by adding: "Instruct the Mashona boys, Sikonga to bring me a handful of rice or corn."

Sixpence, the small and cheerful cook's mate, brought an tin filled to the brim with rice. Desmond fed the Mashona hen himself; and the bird became as friendly as a pup, even taking the grain from the palm of his hand in preference to picking it up from the floor.

Desmond named the hen Martha. Perhaps, in time, she grew a trifle unamiable. But Martha seemed learned to respond to it, and settled down to a life of comfort.

As the weeks and months dragged on Martha took a firm hold upon the affections of all. She became a cherished household pet. However, the course of true affection rarely runs smoothly and a cloud appeared upon the horizon. Daily it assumed ominous proportions.

For some weeks Desmond had been receiving letters demanding his presence in London to settle up his deceased father's estate. As he proposed to return to the farm, a temporary manager had been engaged to look after the estate during the owner's absence.

Yet—what was to be done with Martha? It was neither proper nor feasible to place Martha in a cage, as a parrot, or canary, and tear her away from the country in which she had been laid the egg from which she was hatched. Martha was a true Rhodesian, born and bred. Desmond could not take her as a pet to England; no kindly neighbour could be depended upon to treat Martha as a real friend; and her lot would not be happy with the temporary, probably unsympathetic, manager of the farm.

The African farm labourers could not be trusted to care for the fowl, but would certainly slay and eat her. She could not be presented to the Zoological Gardens in Salisbury as a type of Rhodesian game-bird, for Martha could not be mistaken for other than she was—a poor specimen of the Mashona fowl.

The more Desmond considered the problem of Martha's future, the more elusive became the ideal solution. There were moments when he was sorely tempted to take her with him and let the hen see something of the wider world, so that her outlook might be broadened and the friendship rendered more understanding.

Yet the sudden change of climate could seriously affect her health. It might prove fatal. Martha was a child of the warm sunshine, and the winter months in England would prove a severe strain on her strength.

On the last day but one before his departure for London, John Desmond conferred earnestly with Abdul Rahmin in regard to Martha's final disposal.

"I dislike parting with one on whom my affections have been lavished," Desmond explained feelingly. "The mere thought of abandoning Martha to brutal ill-treatment or neglect from others, causes me acute anguish of mind. What can we do for the best, Abdul?"

"It is not seemly, Sahib," Abdul replied solemnly, "for anyone to break the bonds of affection."

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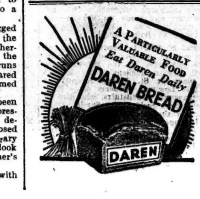
WHEN THE LIGHTS GO UP AGAIN

Broadstairs Council have accepted the terms of the Thanet Gas Co. for the maintenance of the street lighting in the town at an annual charge of £117 10s.

The old charge was £198 8s. 3d. per annum.

The company have offered to resume lighting when required by the Council, on the terms of the 1935 agreement, plus 40 per cent. for a period of 12 months only. By the end of that period it is hoped that costs will have fallen sufficiently to enable better terms to be given for further lighting required.



APPEAL TO CAPT. BALFOUR

PLIGHT OF COAST TOWNS

Broadstairs Council are anxious that Thanet should be represented at the meetings of the group of 50 Members of Parliament who are considering the rehabilitation of defence and evacuation areas.

The report of the Finance Committee presented at a meeting of the Council on Wednesday, stated that at a recent meeting the chairman of the committee (Councillor B. J. Pearson) referred to a report that a group of Members of Parliament had, following a meeting, decided to call on the Government to consider steps to eliminate the present hardships of those living in seafront house and hotel proprietors and others in defence and evacuation areas and to rehabilitate the means of livelihood of the populations of these areas.

The committee recommended that the Clerk (Mr. E. F. Owen) should communicate with Capt. H. H. Balfour, M.C., M.P. for Thanet, expressing the hope that he would be able to arrange for the interests of Thanet to be represented at any further meeting of the group of Members of Parliament referred to, and for action taken by such members to be supported.

It was also recommended that a copy of the letter should be forwarded to the Town Clerks of Margate and Ramsgate with a suggestion that their Councils should take similar action.

In Close Touch.

At Wednesday's meeting the Clerk read a reply he had received from Capt. Balfour stating that he had already made arrangements to be kept in close touch with the group of M.P's in question, and any information he could give the Council he would certainly pass on.

An intimation was received from Ramsgate Council that they had written to Capt. Balfour supporting the Council's action.

Councillor Pearsoon said he believed the letter addressed to Capt. Balfour specially asked him to, arrange for Thanet to be represented among the group of M.Ps who were taking the matter up in the House of Commons. The reply, however, did not contain any promise to that effect.

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A HOLIDAY AT GUILDFORD

TREAT FOR RAMSGATE CHILDREN

Fifty-nine Ramsgate kiddies, some of them probably for the first time in their lives, are now enjoying a fortnight's holiday in the country.

It was a joyful scene at Ramsgate railway station on Tuesday morning when the youngsters, under the watchful eye of teachers and others, bade their trip to Guildford, where hostesses have voluntarily undertaken to look after them during their fortnight's stay in the town.

For their treat of treats the children have to thank the scheme whereby Guildford has "adopted" Ramsgate, and the Lord Mayor's Air Raid Distress Fund, which has co-operated in ensuring that their summer holiday shall provide a complete change for them.

During their journey the children were under the charge of Mr. S. V. West (Education Secretary), Miss D. M. Armstrong (headmistress of St. George's Central School) and Mr. L. Tombs, and they were accompanied by the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe), whose efforts were largely responsible for the scheme, the Mayoress and the Mayor's secretary (Mrs. Peete).

Before arriving at Guildford station, Mr. E. Mantle, the acting Town Sergeant, saw to it that the children looked neat and tidy to meet their temporary "foster mothers," who were awaiting them when they alighted from the train. After several photographs had been taken the kiddies walked happily off to their holiday homes.

Their charges having departed, the official party were afterwards informally entertained by the Mayor and Mayoress of Guildford.

During the children's stay in the Surrey town a special service is being held for them in the new cathedral.

Altogether 116 Ramsgate children are to take the fortnight's holiday and the second batch will make the journey to Guildford on Monday next, when the others return.

Deputy Chief Constable

MR. W. PALMER'S PROMOTION

Mr. W. Palmer, O.B.E., Asst. Chief Constable of No. 4 District, K.C.C., has been appointed Deputy Chief Constable of Kent.

He succeeds Mr. Shepherd, who was appointed to the position when Mr. Percy Sillitoe became Chief Constable of Kent four months ago. Shortly afterwards, however, Mr. Shepherd was granted sick leave and is now retiring owing to ill-health.

Mr. Palmer's present duties extend from Margate to Dover and he will continue to carry them out until a successor to him is appointed, as well as attending to his work at his new office in Maidstone police headquarters.

This month Mr. Palmer completes 31 years in the police service, having joined the Margate borough force in 1912. He became a sergeant in 1919, inspector in 1926 and Chief Constable of Margate in 1930.

NOT DETERRED

COUNCIL AND WAR-TIME PUBLICITY

Broadstairs Council do not intend to be deterred by the view of the Ministry of Health in pressing for the acceptance of their advertising scheme to keep the name of the town before the eyes of prospective post-war holidaymakers.

The report of the Publicity Committee, presented at a meeting of the Council on Wednesday, stated that the Clerk (Mr. E. F. Owen) had written to the Ministry of Health with a view to ascertaining whether the Minister would raise any objection to the sum of £75 being expended by the Council for publicity purposes during the remainder of the current year.

In reply the Ministry stated that, while the department was sympathetic towards the Council's desire to take steps to keep the name of the town before the eyes of prospective post-war holidaymakers, the present was not an opportune time to undertake publicity and that the proposal should be deferred.

The committee recommended that, in the event of Ramsgate Publicity Committee adhering to their decision not to co-operate in a joint advertising scheme, and notwithstanding the views of the Ministry, a sub-committee consisting of Councillors H. Noble, G. W. Lane and B. J. Pearson should be appointed with full powers to prepare a scheme of press advertising involving an expenditure not exceeding £75.

It was further recommended that the reply received from the Ministry should be submitted to Capt. H. H. Balfour, M.C., M.P. for Thanet, with an intimation that the Council were very surprised to learn of the attitude adopted by the department in regard to the proposal of the committee to incur the small amount of expenditure contemplated.

Moderate Application.

At Wednesday's meeting, in reply to Councillor Pearson, the Clerk said no further communication had been received from Ramsgate Council following the Council's suggestion that they should reconsider their decision not to participate in a joint Thanet publicity scheme.

Councillor Pearson said he hoped Ramsgate Council would see their way to reconsider their decision, particularly in view of the fact that Margate Council had intimated their willingness to co-operate. He thought the scheme would be far more effective and powerful if the three towns joined together rather than carry on individually.

Referring to the Ministry of Health's refusal to sanction an expenditure of £75 on publicity, Councillor Pearson said it seemed that a most amazing state of affairs confronted them, and those in control at Whitehall. It seemed that they had no idea whatever of conditions down in Thanet, which had suffered more than any other coastal district. It was a very moderate application to enable them to keep the name of Broadstairs before the visiting and residential public they hoped to see after the war, and yet because the Government were assisting the town to pay its debts, they would not permit it. That seemed a very short-sighted view, and showed that the Ministry did not realise the full extent to which the town had suffered during the war.

The committee's recommendations were adopted.

Wedding Stationery.—Invitation Cards, Compliment Cards, Gift Cards.—Wide selection at "The Advertiser" Printing Works, Church-Hill, Ramsgate.

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MAN AND HIS MATE

ABBOTT AND COSTELLO AT ODEON

Tyrannosaurus, drytosaurus, dimetrodon, triceratops, trachodon, paleoscincus . . . .

These names sound as though they come from the prehistoric world. And, in fact, they do, but they will be more than names to you when you have seen the amazing prehistoric "Man and His Mate" which the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, offers its patrons to-day and tomorrow. "Man and His Mate" tells a simple story of two pre-historic tribes who live under the shadow of attack by huge dinosaurs, woolly mammoths, musk oxen and terrifying reptiles as well as awful earthquakes and seething volcanoes. The cast is headed by Victor Mature, Lou Chaney, junr., and Carole Landis.

Five song hits are featured in the second feature "Salute for Three," starring Betty Rhodes and Macdonald Carey.

Even the most fastidious get a laugh out of those two funnymakers, Bud Abbott and Lou Costello, and their production "Money for Jam," showing for the latter part of the week, is a riot of merriment. This time the two are found are seen as owners of an almost derelict taxi-cab which fails to keep them in funds, their regular stand is next to a horse-drawn cab. Costello gives sweets to the horse which falls sick and dies, and everybody blames the impoverished taximen. Their efforts to replace the horse, which lead to Costello riding a horse is a classic race, form a highly amusing story. The programme also includes Maureen O'Hara and Binkie Stuart in "My Irish Molly," a film rich in pathos and humour.

SALARY INCREASES

FOR BROADSTAIRS COUNCIL STAFF

Broadstairs Council have decided to grant increases of salary to certain of their permanent staff whose basic remuneration has not been the subject of recent review.

The report of the Staffing Sub-Committee, approved at a meeting of the Council on Wednesday, stated that a total of 15 permanent officers were concerned in their consideration. In these one case received no increase of salary since 1930, three not since 1934, one not since 1935 and two not since 1936.

The report continued:

"We have carefully considered the matter very fully in all its aspects and have taken into account local circumstances. We have come to the conclusion that the most equitable way of dealing with the matter, in the present circumstances, would be by the application of a percentage increase. We, therefore, recommend that the salaries of each of the permanent officers whose names are set out on the statement submitted herewith be increased by 10 per cent. of salaries, such increase to be operative for a period of 12 months from the 1st August, 1943, and to be the subject of review at the end of that period, and, in the case of the Surveyor and the Sanitary Inspector, to be subject to the approval of the Minister of Transport and the Minister of Health respectively. No contributions to the salaries of the two officers mentioned are made through the ministries mentioned."

At a Disadvantage.

At Wednesday's meeting Councillor Pearson said from time to time the Emergency Committee in particular had had to deal with salaries of Civil Defence officials, and not long ago they had to consider the salary to be paid to the Co-ordinating Officer as indicated by the Regional Commissioner. He believed the Council had settled that by agreeing to the recommendations of the Regional Commissioner concerning the salaries of chief officials; they would be placing their own permanent officials in a disadvantageous position. They therefore took the view that their salaries should be considered. In making the recommendations it was not so much a desire to increase salaries, but a desire to see that their permanent officials were not at a disadvantage by reason of the higher standards of pay laid down by the Government for other officials.

He paid a tribute to the Council's permanent officials, saying he did not think any town, particularly a coastal town, had officials who had carried out such arduous duties so well, and loyally during the war. He was glad that the matter of their salaries had been rectified to some extent.

"As was mentioned in committee, however," he went on, "it does seem to me that a good deal of inequality still exists. Although the Government lay down satisfactory salaries for Civil Defence workers and officials, it seems to me that proper regard is not yet given to the amount paid to those in the fighting services who are carrying on well and nobly under extreme sacrifices. I am of the opinion that the Government would be doing a far greater service by seeing that a proper rate of wage was paid to those in the fighting services."

The report was adopted.

SPORT

CHISLET BEAT RAMSGATE POLICE

Chislet defeated Ramsgate Police by 41 runs at Chislet on Sunday.

Smith (53) and Abraham (32) gave Chislet a good start and they declared with the score at 132 for the loss of 5 wickets.

The police started disastrously, losing their first 3 wickets for 7 runs and Goatman (18), Reid (41) and Honess (20) stopped the rot but the side was all out for 91.

Chislet

Smith, P., c Miles b Goatman	53
Abraham, b Page	32
Hogben, b Goatman	5
Glover, c Goatman b Honess	0
Sutton, at Reid b Page	14
Lewis, not out	4
Extras	14
Total (for 5 wkts. dec.)	132

Styles, Stoneham, Wilkinson, Rigden and Smith did not bat.

Bowling: Goatman, 2 for 23; Page, 2 for 49; Honess, 1 for 36.

Ramsgate, Police

Matthews, c Glover b Sutton	0
Bourne, c Wilkinson b Smith	0
Miles, c Smith b Sutton	4
Bowskill, c Rigden b Sutton	0
Smith, c Smith b Sutton	1
Goatman, b Sutton	18
Whiting, c Smith b Smith	1
Reid, c Abraham b Lewis	41
Honess, c Hogbin b Sutton	20
Page, c and b Smith	4
Davis, not out	1
Extras	1
Total	91

Bowling: Sutton, 6 for 41; Smith, 3 for 32; Lewis, 1 for 13.

RAMSGATE BEAT CHISLET

Although they went down on two of the four rinks, Ramsgate won easily on the other two when they entertained Chislet and the visitors were defeated by 15 shots (90—75).

Ramsgate

F. Riches, R. J. Mallam, E. Locke, J. R. Sharman	17
T. Fletcher, L. W. Odier, W. Ellis, T. W. Mitchell	26
A. Grummitt, H. Fleming, W. Briggs, F. Porritt	30
S. A. Orenden, P. Morris, C. Wright, C. Nixon	17

Chislet

J. P. Lupat, W. Progley, A. C. Sutton, R. McArthur	26
S. Johnson, T. Johnson, S. Hill, G. D. Ball	11
S. Landon, S. Langston, J. Rye, A. Sommerden	14
D. G. Griffiths, E. Drury, C. Curtis, D. Beynon	24

OVER £11,000 FOR HOSPITAL FUND

The Ramsgate General Hospital Extensions Fund passed the £11,000 mark in July and so marked another milestone in the long, uphill work that began in March, 1939, and at the end of which lies adequate and up-to-date wards and services.

The Fund Committee acknowledge the following donations, which bring the total to date to £11,601 11s. 1d.—Clarendon House whist drive organised by the Rev. Father Aidan, O.S.B., £15; Mr. A. G. Hiscoke (Broadstairs), £1 1s; anon, 10s; Miss E. Martin (collection of bun pennies in Minster), 6s; J.A.F., 2s. In addition £2 9s. 3d. was realised by salvage of used X-ray films and dividend on £1 per cent war bonds amounted to £6 5s.

On Service

NEWS OF THANET MEN & WOMEN

With the Americans

Cpl. Leslie Mettam, only son of Col.-Sgt. G. W. Mettam and Mrs. Mettam, of 6, Price's-avenue, Ramsgate, is one of those called Georgians who chose the Royal Air Force for a career. When he left St. George's Leslie, now 21, went into a R.A.F. training school to study as a fitter and just after the war broke out he was posted to his first unit.

In March this year he was sent to North Africa and was there in time to witness the impressive victory celebrations. Leslie is attached to an American squadron and finds that his new friends' ways of life are rather different from ours. Nevertheless he is doing well for himself and once a week his meals include chicken. In fact, he likes the service life better abroad than in England. One curious form of conveyance, Cpl. Mettam has noticed is a type of bath chair attached to a cycle.

Col.-Sgt. Mettam, who was with the Marines in the last war, rejoined at the beginning of this one and is now with the service in Scotland.

Flew Over the Equator

The postman's knock was extra welcome at 111, Newington-road, Ramsgate, the other day, for after a long interval without news, he brought Mr. and Mrs. George Burton a letter from their son, Flt.-Lt. Frederick Burton, Fleet Air Arm.

Frederick is one of the unfortunates whose mail has been held up but he is looking forward to the time when he returns from West Africa. It may not be long now before he comes back to England. Although the region where he is stationed is notorious for its oppressive heat, Fred says in his letter that it's a little cooler now and four months of "solid rain" are just beginning. On a recent trip he flew half-way to Capetown and, for the first time, crossed the equator, but no ceremony was observed. There is a cinema near by. Flt.-Lt. Burton is attached to the same station and among the films he has seen there is Walt Disney's "Bambi."

Just after the war broke out Fred entered the Royal Navy after being employed by the engineering branch of the Post Office, but three months later transferred to the Fleet Air Arm. Within a similar period he had gained his commission. Flt.-Lt. Burton celebrated his 24th birthday recently.

Parliament

The family came to Ramsgate three months before the war, following Mr. George Burton's retirement from the Metropolitan Police. Attached to Scotland Yard, he had carried out his official duties at the Houses of Parliament for 26 years. It was natural that he enrolled in the war reserve police at, Ramsgate, but ill-health following a cycling mishap caused him to resign from the force.

Policeman

His 20-year-old daughter Joyce was employed for a time in the office of Messrs. Alfred Olby Ltd., but a short time ago joined the W.R.N.S., in which she is now serving on the south coast. Spending much of her childhood on the Thames at Pangbourne Lock, she gained a wide knowledge of the larger boats and the work in which she is now engaged is concerned with light craft. Funnily enough at the moment Joyce is learning to drive a lorry.

Mrs. Baun's Success

A friends were pleasantly surprised to see Mrs. E. Bawn, a director of Balexcro Theatres Ltd., and Mrs. Bawn in Ramsgate during the week-end.

Mrs. Bawn has been enjoying seven days' leave from the W.A.A.F., in which service she has made great headway since she joined the Corps two years ago. When she entered the W.A.A.F. Mrs. Bawn was aircraftwoman second, but she has since progressed rapidly through the ranks and is now a section leader in the equipment branch. She is also a qualified fitter, an instructor and, with her unit, took part in several Wings for Victory parades. In the north she is stationed in the same place as Flt.-Off. Syd Winter, the Ramsgate outfitter.

Mr. Bawn, who is also on leave, is serving in the Midlands in an aircraft factory, where the manager of the department is Mr. J. T. Huddlestone, a former member of Ramsgate Council.

You like to have news from your sons and daughters in the Forces, so do we. We invite you to pass on their stories to us so that their friends may know how they are getting along.

Soldier's Greetings

Greetings to all his colleagues at Ramsgate railway station are sent by Pte. Charles Read, whose mother lives at 7 St. David's-road, Ramsgate.

Charles, who, after leaving Chatham House, worked in the loco office at Ramsgate station, is now in North Africa with a tank regiment. Here, according to his reports, they do not sing "When the lights go on again," for there is no such thing as getting his company of ten went out on a cable-laying job and finished up at Sousse, where Charles and Sgt. Seeing a light in the farmhouse, they went to ask for some water and were invited in. Sitting round the kitchen table, they were served with iced muscatel, a delicious wine made from grapes in the district. Owing to an interpreter, the lads stayed there until midnight.

Charles, aged 20, is a member of Toc H, and his late father, Mr. Ernest Read, was chairman of the Ramsgate branch of the British Legion.

The younger son, Cyril, who is 18, left the London shipping offices in which he was working and is undertaking of April to enter the Royal Corps of Signals and he has now been posted to a station in the Home Counties.

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FURNITURE

Bought, Sold or Exchanged

Chorister's Commission

When the above photograph of Frank Walker was taken at a Royal Air Force Air Navigators' School at Mount Hope, near Hamilton, Ontario, he was a leading aircraftsman undergoing training in aircrew duties. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest A. Walker, of 4 Florence-terrace, Harrison-road, Ramsgate, have now received the good news that Frank has passed out as a pilot-officer observer.

To use the officer's own words it was "a brute of a course," but while he was taking it he managed to get enough leisure time to explore some of the surrounding country. He mentioned in a letter to his parents that on one occasion he went across the border into the United States and had a "wizard time." "I would have done your hearts good," he wrote, "to see all the big stores and bright lights in Buffalo."

Educated at St. George's Central School, where he passed the Oxford junior and senior examinations, Frank, who is 22, was employed, until entering the Royal Air Force, as a surveyor by Messrs. Richard Costain, the builders. Possessing an artistic gift, he has executed many beautiful pen and ink sketches and is a member of Christ Church on the parish magazine is his work. An edition of "The Meteor," a highly magazine produced at his training station, contained a full-page cartoon by him.

Frank, who was a member of the Christ Church choir, joined the service over 18 months ago and went to Canada last January.

Two years ago he married Miss Nina Tarr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Tarr, of Dorset-road, Margate-sands, Ramsgate. She is a petty officer in the W.R.N.S., which she joined over three years ago, and is at present engaged on communications on the east coast. An old girl of Clarendon House School, Nina is the same age as her husband, and in peacetime was employed as a receptionist at Castlemere, Broadstairs.

Playful Pilot

Nina's brother Tony is, like Frank, in the R.A.F. and has just passed his examinations as sergeant-air-gunner and bomb-aimer. Letters written from Alberta—he has since been sent to New Brunswick—tell us of the hectic time he had in training for this job.

"At first," he says, "you feel as though you need three pairs of hands to hold the bomb switch, a pencil, a form for jotting down time of fall and position on the ground, the audible about with the bomb-eight, adjust levels, keep correct heading and position on the automatic release circuits. But now we have become nonchalant and lie on our bellies whistling while the plane turns on a halfpenny." As we have got used to this the pilot now waits until we have finished before he and I are crawling out of the hatch backwards in an undignified position, then he turns and pulls the nose up. This makes us flop forward on our noses and lie with our heads out of the bomb-aiming papers and pencils fluttering away. It's great fun—for the pilot!"

Tony, who will be 22 at the end of the month, went from Chatham House to Goldsmith's College to study for the teaching profession but when his brother-in-law left Messrs. Costain he took over Frank's job until joining the R.A.F. himself.

BROADSTAIRS

Gift to Church.—A gift of an altar cloth has been made to St. Saviour's Church, Reading Street, by Mrs. Williams, of the Captain Digby Hotel, Ringwould.

Entertaining Group.—Subjects were chosen when the opening meeting of the drama discussion group was held at Broadstairs Library on Wednesday.

Restaurant Surplus.—The accounts of the Pierremont Restaurant, Broadstairs, for the four weeks ended 3rd July show a surplus carried to the net revenue account of £28 9s.

Constable Joins R.A.F.—Stationed at Broadstairs for some time, P/O R. Thorn, R.C.O., has now left the force to join the Royal Air Force. He was in the services earlier in the war but was released to re-join the police force.

Storage Sites.—The Surveyor (Mr. S. W. Richardson) has reported to the Broadstairs Council to construct by direct labour at the town depot a range of concrete bins for the storage of materials at an estimated cost of £190.

Broadstairs Savings.—During the week ended 31st July Broadstairs and St. Peter's saved £1,625. The amount comprised savings certificates £650, defence bonds £190 and deposits in the Post Office savings bank £675.

R.A.O.B.A. Visit.—At the weekly whist drive held by the Broadstairs branch of the Royal Naval Old Comrades' Association at the Clarendon Hotel, Mr. Pallant was M.C. and Mrs. Pointer distributed the prizes to Miss Lloyd, Mrs. Ballard, Bdr. Whale, Mrs. Hillier, L/Cpl. Welch and P/O Odell.

Church Council.—The recital organised by the Council for the Encouragement of Music and the Arts and held at Holy Trinity Church, Broadstairs, on Tuesday, attracted a large number of people. The artistes were Sylvia Spencer (violin), Mabel Ritchie (soprano) and Eric Gritton (organ). A silver collection was taken for the extension of the Council's work in music.

Airman Prisoner.—Reported missing from air operations nearly a year ago, Sgt. Air-Gnr. Ronald Rake, R.A.F., second son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Rake, formerly of Prospect-road and Wardour-close, Broadstairs, is now known to be a prisoner. Official wounded. intimation of the announcement was made on the German radio recently. Sgt. Rake's parents are now living at Bournemouth.

Funeral of Mrs. L. Lowings.—Preceded by a service at Queen's-road Methodist Church conducted by the Minister (the Rev. G. Lomax Mackenzie), the funeral took place at St. Peter's cemetery of Mrs. Lily Lowings, formerly of 54 King Edward's-avenue, Broadstairs, who died at her temporary residence at Sandy. Until evacuating shortly after war broke out, Mrs. Lowings was a life-long resident of Broadstairs, where she and her husband were well-known workers for the Free Churches. Mrs. Lowings was 62 years of age.

OVER £500

Ramsgate Merchant Navy Week Success

THE FINAL EVENTS

Final figures of Ramsgate's Merchant Navy Week are not yet available but when the events concluded on Saturday the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kemp) announced that the total raised was over £500.

The last effort of the week to raise money towards the cause of the Merchant Navy Comforts Fund was an auction sale conducted by Mr. Charles Warren at Clarendon House on Saturday, when a large crowd assembled in the gymnasium and bidding was brisk for well over 100 varied lots.

The collection set out on two large tables included a large assortment of garden produce, two cocoanuts, lemons, pots of home-made jam, a silver coffee urn, jars of pickled onions, tins of toothpowder, two live rabbits, grapes, pieces of crockeryware and embroidered tablecloths.

One of the articles auctioned was a drawing of a penguin executed and signed by Admiral Sir E. R. G. Evans, which fetched 30s., while bidding went up to 25s. for a book entitled "The Greatest Battle in the World," autographed by the author, Flg.-Off. Bates and presented by Capt. H. H. Halfon, M.P., of Ramsgate. Highest price was paid for the coffee urn, which was knocked down at 27s., and two cots realised £1 and 13s. The cocoanuts sold for 3s. each and the pound of grapes for 4s.

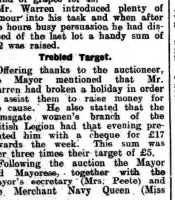
Mr. Warren introduced plenty of humour into his task and when after two hours busy persuasion he had disposed of the last lot a handy sum of £22 was raised.

Trebled Target.

Offering thanks to the auctioneer, the Mayor mentioned that Mr. Warren had given a holiday in order to assist them to raise money for the cause. He also stated that the Ramsgate women's branch of the British Legion had that evening presented him with a cheque for £17 towards the week. This sum was over three times their target of £5.

Following the auction the Mayor and Mayoress, together with the Mayor's secretary (Mrs. Peete) and the Merchant Navy Queen (Miss Veronica Wells) went to the Ramsgate Social Club, where a cheque for £5 was handed to the Mayor by Mr. J. Ward on behalf of the members.

The Mayor then presented Miss Wells with her prize and in doing so said he thought she had done her job well. "We set out," he said, "to make £200 during the week and we got it, in fact we have raised more than £500. I think that is very creditable for a town like ours. All have pulled their weight. I thank you for what you have done in making this such a success and I should like to pay tribute not only to the Merchant Navy Week Queen, Miss Wells, but to Mrs. Peete for the hard work she has undertaken.



Miss Veronica Wells
Ramsgate's Merchant Navy Week Queen.

CRICKET

POLICE SCUTTLE THE NAVY

In a Merchant Navy Week cricket match at Chatham House on Friday, Ramsgate Police, after scoring 117 for 9 wickets, dismissed the Navy for 7 runs.

Honey (31) and Darby (50 not out) put the Police well on the road to victory. Honey claimed 5 Navy wickets at a cost of only 1 run.

Police

Bourne, c Hewitt b Chambers	14
Honey, b Chambers	31
Darby, not out	50
Goatman, b Chambers	3
Whiting, not out	6
Extras	13
Total (for 5 wkts. dec.)	117

Page, Bromley, Beach, Sayer, Knight and Fortescue did not bat.

Naval Base

R. Smith, b Honey	0
Hewitt, b Page	0
Holloway, b Honey	0
Warren, b Honey	1
Sayer, not out	3
Smith, c Beach b Page	0
Willingale, b Honey	0
Tutt, lbw b Honey	0
Callis, b Goatman	0
Hewitt, b Honey	0
Jerome, b Knight	0
Extras	0
Total	7

Bowling: Honey, 5 for 1; Page, 2 for 4; Goatman, 2 for 1; Knight, 1 for 1.

C.D. SOCIAL

The Ramsgate Civil Defence Club at Belgate, Minster, is making a contribution to entertainments of the week by staging a successful games night and concert on Tuesday.

Many members from the various depots entered for the indoor sports tournament, in which the results were: Darts—1, Mr. Jack Kelly; 2, Mr. Lahr; Billiards—1, Mr. A. Nazramore; 2, Mr. Jack Kelly; table tennis—1, Mr. R. W. Duckett; 2, Sgt. D. Brown (A.R.P. Officer).

The entertainment was provided by the "Tiddley Bits" party from a naval base, who are establishing an enviable reputation. Directed by O/M/M Frank Cox, the concert included turns by Wren Beatrice Bull, Michael Ongley, Jack Tripp, Robert Tanner, and Pam Duckett, the latter accompanist. The artistes were thanked by Mr. S. W. English (chairman of the club).

The Acott cup, presented by Miss R. G. Acott for competition between the depots, was presented during the evening to the Ramsgate depot Kangravers' band was enlarged.

A fanfare of trumpets heralded the entry of Miss Wells, and those present also included the Mayor, Capt. A. F. W. Howard, D.S.O., R.N., and Mrs. Howard.

FLAG DAY SUCCESS

Organised by the Mayoress (Mrs. Kemp) and the Mayor's secretary (Mrs. Peete), the flag day in connection with Ramsgate's Merchant Navy Week brought in a fine total of £146.

Mrs. Kempe and Mrs. Peete wish to thank collectors and all who assisted in the effort.

The individual collections were: Mrs. Hall, £2 16s. 9d.; the Mayor, £5 9s. 6d.; Miss Ledner (Manston), £2 5s. 10d.; Mrs. Hunt, £2 3s. 6d.; Mrs. Young, £4 1s. 9d.; Wrens, £4 1s. 2d.; Mrs. Neep, £3 11s. 10d.; Merchant Navy Week Queen, £2 11s. 7d.; Mrs. Harris, £3 11s. 4d.; Mrs. Baker, £3 10s. 6d.; Mrs. Bowskill (Merchant Navy), £3 6s. 6d.; Mrs. Shelton, £2 19s. 6d.; Mrs. Solly, £2 18s. 1d.; Mr. Tyrell, £2 17s. 6d.; Miss Lillian Brown, £2 17s. 5d.; Mrs. Gallais, £2 16s.; Miss Redman, £2 14s. 10d.; Miss Warden, £2 12s. 7½d.; Mr. Tutt, £2 12s. 5d.; Nurse Howells, £2 9s.; Mrs. Pook, £2 7s. 4½d.; Miss Arrowsmith, £2 6s. 5d.; Cdt. Richardson, £2 5s. 4d.; Cdt. Tappenden, £2; Nurse Salmon, £1 19s.; Mrs. Snapes, £1 17s. 10d.; Miss Penn, £1 16s. 8d.; Mrs. Waters, £1 15s. 11½d.; Cdt. Thomson, £1 15s. 6d.; Mrs. Britcher, £1 12s. 9d.; Mrs. Robinson, £1 12s.; Miss Howells, £1 11s. 11½.; Mrs. Johncock, £1 11s. 6d.; Mrs. Hilstone, £1 10s. 10d.; Mrs. Adams, £1 6s. 3d.; Mrs. Sweetman, £1 2s. 6d.; Miss Matthews, £1 2s. 4d.; Mrs. Bean, 16s. 6d.; Mrs. Thorpe, 16s. 2½d.; Mrs. Janes, 14s. 2d.; Miss Mary Rose, 13s. 10d.; Miss Heather Wells, 13s. 7½d.; Miss Ethel, 12s. 10d.; Mrs. Thom, 11s. 10½d.; Miss Hurlin, 10s. 10d.; Miss Joyanne, 9s. 4d.; Mr. James, 9s. 6d.; Cdt. Edwards, 3s. 5d.;

Civil Defence depots—D11, £3 7s. 9d.; D15, £2 19s. 3d.; D8, £2 18s. 2d.; A5 and B5, £2 4s. 9d.; E17, £2 3s. 8½d.; B6, £2 0s. 5d.; Control Staff, £1 18s. 5d.; E16, £1 16s. 9½d.; C8, £1 5s. 4½d.; Nethercourt, £1 5s.; Civil Defence Club, £1 5s. 4½d.; Summerhill, £1 5s.; Wellstood House, 19s. 8d.; 197, 18s. 4½d.; A2 and E15, 16s. 6d.; A1 and A 4, 7s. 8½d.; Civil Defence Centre, 10s. 10d.; E18, 1s. 2½d.; E19 and D14, 6d.

THANK YOU

In connection with the week Mrs. Peete wishes to thank all who assisted in any way, including the following: W.V.S., Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Mrs. Barrett, Mrs. Stephen Pittman, Mrs. Gardiner, women's branch of the British Legion, Ramsgate Social Club, Ramsgate Oddfellows' Club, Civil Defence services, wardens, police, Ramsgate Divisions of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, Rotary Lanes Wheel, local market gardeners and farmers, Ramsgate, Mr. Charles Warren, Mrs. Redman, Mrs. Hicks and other collectors, Messrs. Kemp, Chamberlain, Mummery, Messrs. Sharp's Dairies, Messrs. Page's Dairies, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Erison, Mr. J. Hartley and Sons, Ramsgate Oddfellows' Band, Mr. Percy Bevan, Mr. and Mrs. Nesbit, Miss Eagleston, Mrs. Hewitt, Mrs. Brown (Merchant Navy), Mr. R. J. Costerton and all the members of the committee.

OFFICIAL WATCH ON HIGH PRICES

ADVICE FOR PUBLIC AND TRADESMEN

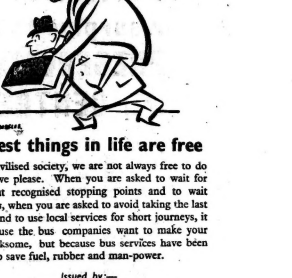
A reminder to the public that advice can be obtained if it is felt an unduly high price has been paid for an article, was issued by the Secretary on behalf of the Local Price Regulation Committee, Guild Hall, Deighton, Culverden gardens, Tunbridge Wells.

"There are many people," states the Committee, "who have bought an article at what seems to them a disproportionate charge but, because they are unsure of the price which should be paid, they have accepted the position."

Because of the rise in the cost of raw materials, labour, etc., and purchase tax, it is inevitable that ultimate prices paid by the public must be higher than formerly. The public, however, does not object to these increases if they are reasonable, adds the Committee, it is difficult to know when a reasonable price is being charged.

"The Government has placed under price control practically all articles in every shop, whether they are new or secondhand. It has also appointed Price Control Committees to watch the prices of goods, and, if necessary, to take certain action. Inspectors are constantly engaged in this connection.

"It is the public, however, who buy the goods and pay the prices, and if any complaint is made to the South Eastern area is in doubt a thorough investigation will be made if full particulars are furnished to the Secretary at the address mentioned above. On the other hand, the Committee is aware that tradesmen, too, are sometimes in doubt as to whether the prices they pay are too high or whether prices of which they sell their goods are within the maximum allowed, and in these circumstances the Committee is equally willing to help on application."



The best things in life are free

But, in a civilised society, we are not always free to do exactly as we please. When you are asked to wait for your bus at recognised stopping points and to wait until it *stops*, when you are asked to avoid taking the last bus home and to use local services for short journeys, it is not because the bus companies want to make your life more irksome, but because bus services have been restricted to save fuel, rubber and man-power.

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DROWNED IN BATHING POOL

INQUEST ON SOLDIER

A verdict of "Accidental Death" was returned at an inquest held at a south-east coast town on Thursday on Pte. Peter Tucker, aged 21, a single man, whose home is at Bideford, Devon.

Tucker was drowned while swimming in a bathing pool during a military bathing parade on Tuesday evening.

Evidence was given that he was seen swimming on his back, doing the back stroke, when he disappeared under the water. He came to the surface, shook his head, as though to remove his hair from his eyes, and then disappeared. His body was recovered two hours later by a swimmer whose foot touched it.

A medical officer stated that Tucker might have had a fainting attack or a severe attack of cramp.

Red Cross Agricultural Fund.—The penny-a-week collected at Minster during July for the Red Cross Agricultural Fund realised £17 6s. 9d.

Births, Engagements, Marriages and Deaths

The PREPAID charges for these announcements are 1d. per word (minimum: 1s.). Address: Births, Engagements, Marriages, Return Thanks, and In Memoriam 2/6).

BIRTHS

Anning.—3rd August, at 1 Pyson's-road, Ramsgate, to the Capt. L. Anning, of a son.

Baker.—30th July, at 75 Winstanley-crescent, Ramsgate, the wife of Spr. R. Baker, R.E., of a daughter.

MARRIAGES

Arter—Heffer.—31st July, at Belgate, Minster, Arter, of Margate, to Dorothy Heffer, of Belgate, Surrey.

Fagg—Yeoman.—29th July, at Aberdeen House, Ramsgate, Pte. Alan Fagg, Grenadier Guards, of Ramsgate, to Eileen Muriel Yeoman, of Margate.

Jones—Cannell.—31st July, at Christ Church, Ramsgate, Brinley John Jones to Mary Camm, both of Ramsgate.

Overton—Pyrett.—31st July, at St. Peter's, Thanet, Flt.-Of. L. W. Overton, of Broadstairs, to Joan Christine Pyrett, of St. Peter's.

Pettiman—Dixon.—31st July, in London, Charlie Stephen Pettiman, of Margate, to Elsie Eleanor Dixon, of Malmesbury, Wilts.

Whitaker—Jarvis.—7th August, at St. Lawrence Church, Ramsgate, Sgt. Walter George Whitaker, R.A.S.C., eldest son of Mrs. E. F. Whitaker, of Bristol, to Lily Aswin, Marjorie Kathleen Jarvis, W.A.A.F. daughter of Mrs. W. Chidsey, of Cliff's End Farm, Ramsgate.

DEATHS

Jennings.—25th July, at 45 Herscon-road, Ramsgate, Edward William Jennings, dearly-loved husband of Alice Jennings, aged 66 years.

McDonald.—2nd August, at Ramsgate General Hospital, Mary Juliette McDonald, of 2 Wood Cliff-villas, West Cliff-road, Ramsgate, aged 61 years.

Tye.—2nd August, at the Kent and Canterbury Hospital, Herbert Edward Tye, aged 74 years, late of Brook Forstal, Bowling, Kent.

RETURN THANKS

Mrs. Suzanne Flowerdew wishes to thank her many friends for the sympathy and kindness extended to her in her bereavement. Thanks are also extended to the medical staff, Matron and nurses at Ramsgate General Hospital and to Mr. W. H. Maskell for the funeral arrangements.

—29 Vale-square, Ramsgate.

Mr. E. Measenden and son wish to thank all friends for kindness and sympathy in their bereavement and for floral tributes.

—2 West Cliff-villas, Ramsgate.

IN MEMORIAM

Cotton.—In loving memory of Charles J. Cotton, killed in enemy action 11th August, 1942.

We did not know his end was near,
We did not see him die;
We only heard that he was dead,
And bade him goodbye.
—From his loving wife and family, Ramsgate.

Miles.—In loving memory of Ernest Arthur Miles, who died so suddenly on 11th August, 1942, aged 45.

The sun still shines as bright as ever,
The grey clouds come and go,
Your memory always is linked together
With sunshine here below.
—From his wife Ethel and daughter Marjorie, Rickmansworth, Herts.

Plank.—In everlasting memory of our dear son and friend, Dan and William Plank, who passed away suddenly 12th August, 1938—Always in the thoughts of Frances, Ellen, Tom, Ted and Bob.
We shall meet them some bright morning.

Resting by the waters fair.
They are waiting for our coming
In the Upper Garden there.
—173 Margate-road, Ramsgate.

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